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Monthly Report of Liaison to Official West German Agencies
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(SECRET) Miscellaneous

a. Cooperation and Coordination Between FRG Police, Security and Intelligence Agencies

(1) A meeting to foster better relations between the various levels of criminal police involved with cases of "political significance" was held in OOSLAR on 24, 25 and 26 October 1957. The prime objective was to supply officials of the various agencies with the opportunity to discuss mutual problems of cooperation and coordination.

(2) Lectures were given by Dr. Ernst BRUECKNER, SG chief, President SCHRUEBERS of the BfV, BfV officials Dr. NOLLAU and Lorenz BESSEL-LORCK, General GEHLEN of the BND, Lt Col Armin KELL of MAD, IfV Chief HOFFMANN and others. Each spoke primarily on his own organization and problems confronted in its operations.

(3) Invitations to attend the meeting were extended by the Federal Interior Minister to the State Interior Ministers, who are responsible for internal security affairs within the several states. In most cases, representatives from the State Interior Ministries, the State Criminal Police Agencies and the State Offices for the Protection of the Constitution attended the gathering. In addition, Federal representatives were present from the Federal Agency for the Protection of the Constitution, the Federal Intelligence Service and the Military Counter Intelligence Service.

(4) A police official stated that he did not think the meeting had really accomplished the purpose he felt it had been set up for. He felt that it was to be a meeting for operational personnel to iron out problems of mutual assistance on the routine and everyday level. It was felt that the presence of so many highly-placed officials ("Bonzen") had discouraged a "working-level" meeting. Nevertheless, the gathering did give the various officials the opportunity to outline the roles of their various organizations and their views on cooperation and coordination between the services. The officials were also given the opportunity to mingle with one another on "neutral" ground, which may have tended to a better acquaintance and understanding of one another.

b. Release by Criminal Police and the State Criminal Offices of Information to American Agencies

(1) At a regular meeting of the Landeskriminalamt ("LKA") chiefs it was decided that a more detailed and far-reaching distribution of information to American agencies is needed to insure military security.

(2) Discussion concerned the types of information to be included in releases to allied agencies. Three general categories evolved, including:

(a) information which would normally appear on the Strafregister (register of punishments.)

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